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SUBJ: SSA: VALIDATION SURVEY IN CAPE VERDE ISLANDS

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1. WAITING FOR POLITICAL SITUATION TO DEVELOP FURTHER, EMBASSY HAS BEEN HOLDING UNDER ACTIVE CONSIDERATION SSA PLAN FOR SURVEY TEAM TO VISIT CAPE VERDE ISLANDS DURING FIRST WEEK OF OCTOBER AS OUTLINED IN REFERENCED AIRGRAM.

2. AS RESULT GOP'S RECENT DECISION TO GRANT INDEPENDENCE TO NEARBY GUINEA-BISSAU BUT TO HAVE CAPE VERDIAN PEOPLE DECIDE THEIR OWN POLITICAL FUTURE THROUGH A REFERENDUM OR OTHER FORM OF POPULAR CONSULTATION, POLITICAL GROUPS ARE PRESENTLY ENGAGED THROUGHOUT THE ARCHIPELAGO IN SEEKING SUPPORT AMONG POPULACE. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, THE PRESENCE OF PROPOSED SURVEY TEAM ENGAGED IN SOMEWHAT SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE FUNCTION WOULD BE EASILY SUSCEPTIBLE TO MISINTERPRETATION AS INTERFERENCE IN THE ARCHIPELAGO'S INTERNAL POLITICAL PROCESS. ACCORDINGLY EMBASSY FEELS SURVEY TEAM'S VISIT SHOULD BE POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT SPRING BY WHICH TIME POLITICAL SITUATION WILL HOPEFULLY HAVE SORTED ITSELF OUT.
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